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C O N F I D E N T I A L SANTIAGO 4717

USIA FOR SRO,ILA FROM BELL

EO 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ASEC, CI  
SUBJ: OBJECTION TO ELIMINATION OF STATIC GUARD FORCE FOR ALL  
U.S. OFFICERS' HOMES EXCEPT AMBASSADOR AND DCM

REF: SANTIAGO 4716

1. THE PAO EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS IN GENERAL TO THE ELIMI-  
NATION OF 26 SECURITY GUARDS FROM THE HOMES OF USG OFFICIALS  
IN SANTIAGO FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

A. THE DOLLAR SAVINGS QUOTED IN THE REFTEL APPEARED TO  
HIM TO BE NEGLIGIBLE WHEN BALANCED AGAINST THE SECURITY OF  
OFFICIAL AMERICANS LIVING IN SANTIAGO.

B. ALTHOUGH AGREEING THAT THE SECURITY SITUATION HAD  
IMPROVED IN SANTIAGO, HE FELT A SUFFICIENT THREAT STILL  
EXISTED TO JUSTIFY THE CONTINUATION OF STATIC GUARD SERVICE  
ALTHOUGH SOME REDUCTION IN SUCH SERVICE MIGHT BE INDICATED.

C. THE USG WOULD BE SUBJECTED TO EXTREME PUBLIC  
CRITICISM IN THE U.S. PRESS IF A U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL  
OR A MEMBER OF HIS FAMILY WAS THE VICTIM OF A TERRORIST  
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ATTACK AND IT BECAME PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE, AS IT WOULD, THAT  
SECURITY GUARDS HAD RECENTLY BEEN REMOVED FROM HIS HOME.

2. THE PAO HAS RESERVATIONS REGARDING REMOVAL OF STATIC  
GUARD SERVICE AT THE PAO HOUSE GIVEN THE FACT THAT TWO  
PAOS HAVE BEEN KIDNAPPED IN LATIN AMERICAN IN THE PAST  
FIVE YEARS, ONE FROM HIS HOME.

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